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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: Resolution of the Governing Board of the El Segundo Unified School District Approving the Rescheduling of Governing Board Member Elections from Odd to Even Year Elections Commencing with the 2018 Governing Board Election

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors 500 West Temple Street - #383 Los Angeles, CA 90012

To Whom It May Concern:

At its regular scheduled Board of Education meeting held on September 27, 2016, the Governing Board of the El Segundo Unified School District adopted RESOLUTION No: 4/2016-2017 to consolidate the election day for members of the Board with the California general election in November of even years (Elections Code 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

Over the past several years most special districts in Los Angeles County have migrated their election cycle to the November of even numbered years thereby leaving fewer special districts to share the cost of reimbursing the Los Angeles County Clerk's office for its election costs in odd numbered years thereby causing a significant increase in the amount each special district has had to reimburse the County for its odd numbered year election. As a result of these facts, the Governing Board desires to change the date of future Board elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election, in order to enhance voter participation and use District and Country resources efficiently.

The El Segundo Unified School District Governing Board of Education is requesting formal approval from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors by way of Elections Code section 1302(b) which establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its Board members. If the Board of Supervisors approves of the consolidation, the date of the

Dedicated to providing students and the community with an optimum learning environment that prepares educated, productive, compassionate citizens to meet the challenges of a global society in the 21st Century. District's next Board election will be moved to November 2018 and each subsequent Board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years.

Furthermore, if the consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current Board members expiring in November 2017 will be extended to November 2018, and the term of Board members expiring in November 2019 will be extended to November 2020.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at (310) 615-2650 ext. 1405 or mmoore@esusd.k12.ca.us.

Regards,

Melissa Moore, Ed.D.

Superintendent

Enclosure:

Adopted Resolution No. 4/2016-2017



EL SEGUNDO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION No: 4/2016-2017

A Resolution of the Governing Board of the El Segundo Unified School District Approving the Rescheduling of Governing Board Member Elections from Odd to Even Year Elections Commencing with the 2018 Governing Board Election

WHEREAS, the current date for election of Governing Board members of the El Segundo Unified School District is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd years (e.g., November 2017) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302(a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even years (e.g., November 2016) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, generally, voter participation is greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections, including school board member elections; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code sections 14050-14057 will require school board member elections to be scheduled with statewide general elections no later than November 2022 where voter participation in special local elections does not meet certain minimum thresholds; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that rescheduling to "even-year elections" will enhance voter participation in school board elections; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes there will be a cost savings to the District resulting from aligning the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, over the past several years most special districts in Los Angeles County have migrated their election cycle to the November of even numbered years thereby leaving fewer special districts to share the cost of reimbursing the Los Angeles County Clerk's office for its election costs in odd numbered years thereby causing a significant increase in the amount each special district has had to reimburse the County for its odd numbered year election; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future Board elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election, in order to enhance voter participation and use District and Country resources efficiently; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to conserve its financial resources and to advance the financial and logistical interests of the District and the citizens therein, and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that the terms of its members would be extended as a result of aligning the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 1302(b) establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its Board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10405.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, the election date for Board members will be moved from November of odd years to November of even years commencing in 2018, with Board members whose terms would have expired in 2017 being extended to 2018, and Board members whose terms would have expired in 2019 being extended to 2020, as required by Elections Code section 10401.5(g) [refer to Exhibit A]; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above recitals are true and correct,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the El Segundo Unified School District Governing Board adopts this resolution to consolidate the election day for members of the Board with the California general election in November of even years (Elections Code 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and request formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is adopted and submitted to the Board of Supervisors at least 240 days prior to the next scheduled school Board election (Elections Code section 10404.5(a)) and if the Board of Supervisors approves of the consolidation, the date of the District's next Board election will be moved to November 2018 and each subsequent Board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current Board members expiring in November 2017 will be extended to November 2018, and the term of Board members expiring in November 2019 will be extended to November 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District's superintendent or his designee is authorized to take such actions and execute such documentation necessary to effect the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Governing Board of the El Segundo Unified School District on the 27th day of September, 2016, by the following vote:

James Garza, President Governing Board of the

El Segundo Unified School District

I, Emilee Layne, Clerk of the Governing Board of the El Segundo Unified School District, do certify that the foregoing Resolution was regularly introduced, passed and adopted by the Governing Board at its regular meeting held on the 27th day of September, 2016.

Emilee Layne, Clerk Governing Board of the

El Segundo Unified School District